For Your Information Weekly

FROM THE CITY MANAGER & STAFF

December 31, 2014

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

No residential garbage pickup on New Year's Day. Garbage will be picked up on Friday.

Due to the Martin Luther King holiday in January, the City Commission meeting has been rescheduled for January 26, 2015 with the workshop on January 22, 2015.

Dates to Remember:

January 22, 2015	City Commission Workshop
January 26, 2015	City Commission meeting

Staff Reports

Community Development Director Reese reports:

- A certificate of occupancy has been issued for the replacement mobile home located at 601 Sabal Avenue.
- The signs have been changed at 433 East Sugarland Hwy, from Hess to Speedway. The permit has been issued for the Valero station at 100 North Berner Road to change to Mobil.
- Five Star Financial Services has opened at 931 West Sugarland Hwy. in the Clewiston Town Center.

Library Director Barrett reports:

- Excel classes begin 1/12/15 on Monday and Thursday evenings from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
- The children's section of the Library has new furniture and new state-of-the-art technology, such as Leap Pad3 for Leapfrog, as well as the new AWE award winning interactive computers to help children pre-kindergarten to grade 6 with math, reading, social studies, and much more.
- Santa Clause distributed gifts in the Library to over 100 children on December 18, 2014.

Police Chief Gutshall reports:

- Mr. Jose Sosa of 100 East Aztec passed away last weekend. The death appears natural at this point. Mr. Sosa was 60 years old.
- Following a complaint and investigation of strong arm robbery in the East Sagamore area, officers arrested a suspect and charged him with robbery.
- Following up on a report of a missing juvenile from Moore Haven; officers located the 15 year old female in a local motel with an adult male. The man was later charged with sexual battery on a child older than 12 and younger than 16. He was transported to the Hendry County Jail. The girl was turned over to her parents and the Department of Children and Family Services was contacted.
- Two women were caught trying to leave Wal-Mart with more than \$3,500.00 in merchandise. Both were arrested and transported to jail. The property was returned to Wal-Mart.
- Patrol is gearing up for the BFL Fishing Tournament this weekend. More than 200 anglers will be in town for the event. The tournament is one of three scheduled for January.
- Following is a brief synopsis of the week's activity:
 - 1122 Commercial / Residential Security Checks
 - **620** Complaints Investigated
 - 43 Traffic Citations Issued
 - Warnings Issued
 - 19 Arrests made
 - 9 City Ordinance / Code Violations
 - 72 Merchant Escorts Provided
 - 18 Alarms Responded To

Utilities Director Williams reports:

- The Water/Sewer crew replaced hydrants at W.C. Owen and Trinidad and one at Bass Capital.
- The Electric crew changed a pole out on Trocadero and West Ventura, repaired the lights at the Golf Course Driving Range and are hanging banners at the boat basin for the upcoming bass tournament. We are also continuing to fight the nesting of ospreys on our utility poles.
- Please remember to register with CodeRed (Reverse 911). This system allows us to contact you in case of an emergency or with other informational announcements. You may register by clicking on the CodeRed link at the bottom of the City's website page www.clewiston-fl.gov. You may update your information at any time through the same link.
- If you are considering replacing your air conditioner or insulation, remember the City offers a rebate program for those items. Most local contractors participate in the program and can give you information. You can also visit our website at www.clewiston-fl.gov or call our office.
- DON'T FORGET TO SIGN UP FOR YOUR METER BASED SURGE PROTECTION! Visit our office today.